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September 4, 2008

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Honorable Alvin K. Hellerstein United States District Judge United States Courthouse 500 Pearl Street, Room 1050 New York, New York 10007

Re: Arlene Rowe v. Astrue
08 Civ. 2811 (AKH)

Dear Judge Hellerstein:

This Office represents the Commissioner of Social Security, defendant in the above-referenced action. This Office is attempting to reach plaintiff pro se regarding a voluntary remand of this matter. Therefore, I respectfully request a two week extension of time from September 5, 2008, to submit a signed stipulation of remand, or if the parties do not agree, a motion in support of remand.

Should the Court approve this request, defendant's motion would be due on September 19, 2008. Plaintiff's opposition would be due on October 20, 2008, and defendant's reply, if any, would be due on November 3, 2008.

This is defendant's second request for an extension of time as defendant's motion was originally due on May 27, 2008. Because we have been unable to reach plaintiff, we did not obtain her consent to this request.

Thank you for your consideration of this request.

Respectfully,

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